Draft Lottery, Deferments, Court Rulings Bring Confusion

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...lumber for Miller; 160 Closes Bowie Eligibility List

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In light of the last drawing of ... lottery numbers, many young men are confused as to where they stand in the selective service system.

In April this year, President Richard Nixon issued an executive order abolishing three deferment groups among young men, aged 19 to 26. Deferments abolished included agricultural deferments, occupational deferments, except for medical and ministerial positions, and deferments for fathers.

President Nixon also asked congress to consider elimination of deferment for college students, but ... Chairman of the ... legislation for the next year.

Now, for young men who are still confused as to whether they have deferments or will be able to get deferment from the draft, both draft boards in Texarkana have provided answers to basic questions from befuddled draft-age men.

Under the new lottery system, men whose birthdays come before Jan. 1, 1971 have been assigned draft numbers in a random drawing of dates and numbers July 1, in Washington, D.C.

The sequence of these numbers in the ... ft call-up will take effect Jan. 1, 1971. he first random drawing under the ery system occurred in December of ...9. The sequence of those numbers went into effect Jan. 1, 1970. National Director of the Selective Service System Curtis W. Tarr said a top limit of No. 195 for draft calls had been set for August nationally, and that draft calls for the rest of the year would probably not go much higher than that level.

Local Board No. 46, for Miller County, Ark., reported their quota of men for induction for July will be three, and the call will go to men whose numbers from the December 1969 drawing are not higher than 215.

Local Board No. 11, for Bowie county, Tex., reported a quota of 10 men for July, and a top lottery number of 160.

Under the lottery system that went into effect Jan. 1, 1970, part of a plan President Nixon described as a step in the elimination of the draft, a registrant who is assigned a lottery number through the random drawing and who is not deferred, is placed on a year of I-A classification, available for military service. If the registrant completes his year of eligibility without being called up, he will not have to face the worry of eligibility for the remainder of his liability time, unless in cases of national emergency, or the declaration of war.

Those who receive temporary deferments, such as the II-S, student deferment, and whose lottery number is called during the year following his lottery drawing, will be placed on the I-A list upon completion of his deferment.

In the cases of college students, upon graduation from their schools, they are reclassified by their draft boards I-A, and are sent induction physical notices.

The selective service classification deferments no longer available to draft-age men are II-A, occupational deferment other than agricultural and student, II-C, Agricultural deferment, and III-A, fatherhood deferment.

These three deferments were abolished by executive order April, 23, 1970. Officials of the local boards said that any person who was eligible for those three classifications before April 23, can still apply for the classifications. However, any person who was not listed as eligible before April 23 may not receive those deferments.

Of the 15 classifications still in effect, the classifications facing controversy now are those of I-A-O, I-W, and I-O, concerning conscientious objectors.

The controversy comes from a recent Supreme court ruling that a registrant with the selective service may apply for a conscientious objector status on grounds

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13 INJURED–2 CRITICALLY

Naples Crash Kills 1

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NAPLES, Tex. — A three-vehicle crash two miles west of Naples on rain-swept Highway 67 claimed one life and sent 13 persons to hospitals shortly after 4 p.m. Saturday. Two were reported in critical condition.

Victim of the two-car, pickup collision was 13-year-old Cindy Smith of Burkburnett, Tex. She was riding in the pickup that her grandfather, Al Burnley, of Near Wills Point, Tex., was driving to Dallas at the time of the fatal mishap.

Texas Department of Public Safety officers Marvin Mayberry and Ricky Silvertooth identified the drivers of the two cars involved in the crash as Don K. Elliott, 29, of 305 Blanton St., Texarkana, and Lloyd Dean Wingfield, Duncanville, Tex.

Elliott, his wife and ... two children, Kent Elliott, 5, and Phyllis, 6, were en route to Mt. Vernon at the time of the crash. They were given emergency treatment at David Granberry Hospital in Naples and then brought by ambulance to St. Michael Hospital in Texarkana.

Elliott, 29, a Texarkana insurance executive, suffered chest injuries. His wife, Sara Elliott, 28, received a fractured arm and head injuries while Kent Elliott suffered a cut over his right eye and probable concussion. Phyllis Elliott was shaken in the crash, but otherwise unhurt.

Wingfield was given emergency treatment at the Naples hospital and then moved to a Shreveport Hospital for treatment of critical injuries.

Wingfield was listed in "critical condition" at Doctor's Hospital in Shreveport at 9 p.m. Saturday. Knocked unconscious by the crash, Wingfield was scheduled for surgery.

Other members of the Wingfield family who were injured include his wife, Edna Janie, and children, Stacy, Diane 8, and Lloyd, Jr., 13.

Mrs. Wingfield and the Wingfield children were given treatment at the Naples Hospital.

The Wingfields were en route to Arkansas to visit an aunt at the time of the crash.

Terry Lee Burnley, 12, Dallas, was treated at Naples and then brought to Wadley Hospital for further medical attention.

His twin, Jerrie Lynn, was given emergency treatment at Naples, then driven by ambulance to a Shreveport hospital.

Her condition was listed as "very critical" late Saturday night at Doctors hospital in the Louisiana city. Surgeons were battling to save her life.

Also riding in the pickup truck and treated for injuries, were Kimberly Jo Smith, 10, of Dallas, sister of the traffic victim, Diana Farley, 8, of Dallas, and the twins.

Morris County officers, who with the state patrolman probed the mishap, said that the youngster who died in the crash was riding in the cab of the pickup with her grandfather.

Just what caused the crash was a question that was unanswered late Saturday night. Officers planned to question the three drivers to establish exactly what happened.

Rain on the highway, plus the confusion that followed the three-vehicle crash made it impossible, officers said, to reach an immediate decision on the cause of the fatal mishap.

PUTTING FEET FIRST ON FIFTH — Pedestrians walk down Fifth Avenue in New York Saturday during experiment to determine feasibility of a Saturday mall in the future on the normally car-congested avenue. Vehicles were banned along a 15-block stretch from 42nd to 57th Streets from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the experiment, and pedestrians who initially stuck to the sidewalks eventually filled the avenue to do their Saturday shopping or strolling. View is looking north from 44th Street. (AP Wirephoto)

Our World This Morning

U. S. Missile Heads for Mexico

WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE, N.M. (AP) — An Air Force Athena missile launched early Saturday morning in Utah malfunctioned and might have landed 400 miles off course in a remote mountain section of Mexico, White Sands officials said.

Secret Talks With Hanoi Likely

LONDON (AP) — Secretary of State William P. Rogers suggested Saturday that the United States may seek more secret talks with the Hanoi government to break the stalemate in the Paris negotiations on the Vietnam war.

Rockets Hit Home of Arab Leader

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Four rockets struck the home of Dr. Wadie Elias Haddad, a Marxist Arab guerrilla leader, in the Lebanese capital of Beirut Saturday, wounding his wife and son.

Soviet Missile Launchers Ready

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Soviets were reported Saturday to have close to 300 giant SS9 missile launchers now ready for use or under construction.

The new information will have repercussions in the coming debate over such matters as the ABM and the U.S.-Soviet arms curb talks.

The SS9s loom large in U.S. strategic calculations because they are rated able to knock out the U.S. Minuteman missiles designed to deter the Soviets from launching a nuclear war.

WEATHER

Clouds, Maybe Showers in Area

TEXARKANA WEATHER — Yesterday's high, 87; low, 74. Rainfall, .15, period ending 9 p.m.

SW ARKANSAS — Cloudy and warm with showers and thundershowers. Low, mid-70's; high, lower 70's.

SE OKLAHOMA — Warm with chance of thundershowers. High, mid-90's; low, upper 70's.

NE TEXAS — Cloudy with chance of thundershowers. High, mid-to-upper 90's; low, mid-70's.

NW LOUISIANA — Warm with scattered showers. High, mid-90's; low, upper 70's.

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Air Show Here Draws 3 Solons

Three congressman will be here today to view a star-studded acrobatic show that will highlight Aviation Day in Texarkana at which time a new air control tower, runway and taxi-way will be officially dedicated at Municipal Airport.

The Congress who will be on hand include Wright Patman of Texarkana, John Paul Hammerschmidt of Harrison, Ark., and David Pryor of Camden, Ark.

Henry Newman, regional director of the Federal Aviation Agency, is flying here from his Fort Worth headquarters to participate in the ceremonies and view the air show.

Federal and local funds have made the improvements at the Municipal Airport possible.

W.B. McCulloch, general chairman for the occasion, said that the program would begin at 1 p.m. Parachute jumps will be included in the acrobatic show.

Members of the Air National Guard will stage a fly-by as part of the program and music will be provided by the 529th Air Force Band from Lackland Air Base.

Gary Jackson, manager of the airport said the Army will have Sky Crane, the world's largest helicopter, along with Huey and Cobra helicopters on display for the public.

AIR POLLUTION FOUGHT

'Banish Gas Engine'

WASHINGTON (UPI) —The United Auto Workers Saturday joined six conservation groups in urging Congress to set air pollution control standards so tough they would banish the internal combustion engine from autos within the next five years.

In a letter delivered to members of the Senate, the organizations proposed a clean air plan they said "would guarantee every American a safer, cleaner atmosphere by 1975."

They called the air pollution control bill already passed by the House "pitifully weak" and said rival proposals of the Nixon administration and Sen. Edmund S. Muskie, D-Maine, also were less than "the minimum provisions acceptable."

The letter was dispatched by conservation groups ranging from the old and established National Audubon Society to the newly organized Zero Population Growth.

Others signing the letter were the Sierra Club, Environmental Action, Friends of the Earth, the Wilderness Society and the United Auto Union.

The proposal called for the government to declare that by 1975, cars would be required to keep their exhaust as clean as that from the steam-powered Rankine Cycle Engine.

"This engine is presently feasible and has emission characteristics which are much lower than the internal combustion engine can ever hope to achieve," the report said.

It complained that present pollution control standards are ineffective because they are "based on the assumption that the internal combustion engine is here to stay and that control will be limited to the capacities of that engine."

Less sweeping proposals called for:

Federal testing of autos for pollution on the assembly line and on the road. Under present regulations, only specially-built prototype autos are tested for pollution.

Legislation requiring manufacturers to install pollution control devices on used cars, at no cost to customers.

Students Kidnaped Aramburu

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — Two leftist students, one killed in a gun battle and another still being sought, were identified by Argentine police Saturday as the kidnapers of former President Pedro E. Aramburu.

Police said they still did not know what happened to Aramburu after he was taken from his home May 29, but there have been many reports he was killed.

An official communique said Fernando Abel Medina, 23, masterminded the plot to abduct Aramburu and recruited Emilio Angel Mazza, 24, a law student, to help seize the former president.

SEXUAL ABUSE, MISTREATMENT DOCUMENTED

Texas Mental Hospital Cleanup Promised

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AUSTIN, Tex. (UPI)—State officials Saturday promised immediate action to improve conditions at Austin State Hospital following a documented report of sexual abuse and physical mistreatment of teenage patients and promiscuity, drinking and gambling among adult inmates.

"We must, and we will, act immediately not only to rectify the wrongs, but to set additional policies and reorganize where necessary to prevent such problems from ever arising again," said Gov. Preston Smith.

Smith praised the State Board of Mental Health and Mental Retardation for revealing full details of their investigators' findings and "not attempting to whitewash the charges" raised by legislators about the hospital.

The report substantiated accusations of alcohol use by some patients at the alcoholic rehabilitation center, numerous incidents of sexual relations between inmates and a number of specific cases of abuse of young patients.

— One 13-year-old deaf girl was handcuffed to a basketball goal post for more than 24 hours last December.

—A 16-year-old girl who became pregnant while at the adolescent center named a 19-year-old ward attendant as the father of her child. The girl said she had sexual relations with the attendant 50 or 60 times but that none of the incidents occurred at the hospital.

— Boys, aged 6 to 12, were sometimes tied outside for periods of 30 minutes to several hours during the winter and in rain without coats.

— Boys who ran away from one ward of the children's psychiatric unit were stripped when they returned and forced to "earn back" their clothes. The youths were visible to other patients and to female attendants.

— Youthful patients on the "token system" of rewards for good behavior are denied meals when they do not have enough tokens to "purchase" food. A doctor in charge said "no child lost more than 10 per cent of his body weight."

—Adolescent patients are sometimes stripped and placed in small "quiet rooms" for lengthy periods without furniture or bedding. One former employe told investigators some youths were left for periods as long as 30 days. Hospital officials said the patients involved were suicidal and would use clothing in attempts to kill themselves.

Names of patients and hospital workers were deleted from the report released to newsmen on the month-long investigation. The report said attendants involved in child fondling and cases of intercourse with patients have already resigned or been fired.

Board chairman Ward Burke of Diboll said most members of the hospital staff are dedicated and competent. But he warned that "those who do not serve right will be fired."

In his recommendations, acting Commissioner Earl Scott said room seclusion and removal of young patients' clothing should be permitted only on written orders of a physician. He said workers of the same sex should attend such patients.

Scott also reminded hospital officials of regulations prohibiting physical restraint of patients without specific authorization by a doctor.

The MHMR administrator said steps have already been taken to tighten security on the hospital grounds and limit visits by outsiders to patients in the alcoholic rehabilitation center.

But a Houston legislator, Rep. Edmund Jones, said authorities should do more. Jones appeared at the board meeting with paper sacks full of whiskey and beer bottles that he said he found on the hospital grounds Saturday morning.

"Almost every tree had a bottle under it," Jones said.

The report said some former patients and other unauthorized persons had been visiting patients and that in some cases alcohol was drinking.

Investigators said hospital guards told them it was "a frequent occurrence" to find patients and former patients drunk and to discover couples in "compromising positions" on the hospital grounds.

In his recommendations, Scott called for greater cooperation between hospital authorities and law officers. He also suggested undercover agents be called in to investigate illicit drug traffic at the hospital.

The report said Austin police

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